

### **Memorandum**

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To: Mr. Josh Farrar, Town Manager

From: Douglas A. Goodman, Jr., Chief of Police

Date: January 12, 2021

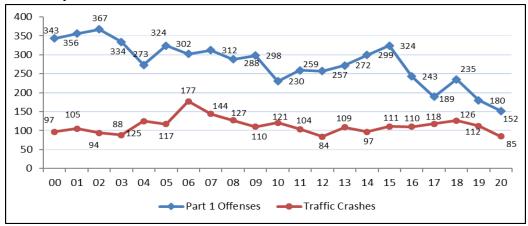
Re.: Preliminary 2020 Year End APD Report

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Please find below a brief summary of criminal and traffic reports for 2020. At this point, these annual figures should be considered preliminary until final reports are completed.

- 14.6% decrease in Part I Offenses (Index Crimes) with 152 incidents (down from 178 offenses in 2019)
  - o **0** Arson incident (down from 1 in 2019)
  - o **10** Aggravated Assaults (down from 13 in 2019)
  - o **9** Burglaries (up from 8 in 2019)
  - o **120** Larcenies (down from 143 in 2019)
  - o **7** Auto Thefts (down from 9 in 2019)
  - o **3** Robberies (down from 4 in 2019)
  - o **3** Rape offense (up from 1 in 2019)
  - O Homicide offense (level with 2019)

**Note:** In the past 20 years, the highest level of Part I Offenses (Index Crimes) was in 2002 (367). 2020 saw the lowest level of Part I Offenses in 20 years.



- 24.1% decrease in motor vehicle crashes
  - o 85 reportable crashes in 2020 (down from 112 in 2019)
  - 11 DUI arrests (down from 32 in 2019)

**Note:** In the past 20 years, the highest number of accidents was in 2006 (177) with the lowest in 2012 (84).

We plan on presenting you with our comprehensive 2020 review with our FY22 budget presentation later this year. If you have any questions regarding this data, please do not hesitate to call on me. I remain in your service.



The monthly report is intended to serve as an overview of the Ashland Police Department's effort to combat crime within the Town of Ashland. The report contains information about the number of criminal offenses during the past month and the activities undertaken by the Police Department to improve the overall quality of life for the community.

The data helps the Police Department develop strategies for providing a safe environment in which to live, work, visit and play.

Chief Douglas A. Goodman, Jr.

# **Dec 2020**

| Part 1 Offenses              | Dec<br>2020 | Dec<br>2019 | YTD<br>2020 | YTD<br>2019 | YTD<br>Diff | YTD CLR | YTD CLR   | Total   | Total 2019 |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------|---------|------------|
|                              | 2020        | 2019        | 2020        | 2019        | וווט        | Arrest  | Exception | Cleared | 2019       |
| Homicide                     |             |             |             |             |             |         |           |         |            |
| Rape                         | 1           |             | 3           | 1           | 2           | 0       |           | 0%      | 1          |
| Robbery                      |             |             | 3           | 4           | -1          | 2       |           | 67%     | 4          |
| Aggravated Assault           | 1           |             | 10          | 13          | -3          | 8       | 2         | 100%    | 13         |
| Arson                        |             |             |             | 1           | -1          |         |           |         | 1          |
| Burglary                     |             | 1           | 9           | 8           | 1           | 2       |           | 22%     | 8          |
| Larceny (below categories)   | 13          | 4           | 120         | 144         | -24         | 27      | 11        | 32%     | 144        |
| Pick Pocket                  |             |             |             | 1           | -1          |         |           |         | 1          |
| Purse-Snatching              |             |             |             |             | 0           |         |           |         |            |
| Shoplifting                  | 8           | 2           | 40          | 40          | 0           | 20      | 3         | 58%     | 40         |
| Theft from a Building        |             |             | 17          | 21          | -4          | 1       | 3         | 24%     | 21         |
| Theft from a Coin Machine    |             |             | 2           | 0           | 2           | 0       | 0         | 0%      |            |
| Theft from a Motor Vehicle   | 1           | 1           | 22          | 37          | -15         | 2       | 1         | 14%     | 37         |
| Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts | 2           |             | 11          | 11          | 0           | 0       | 1         | 9%      | 11         |
| All other Larceny            | 2           | 1           | 28          | 34          | -6          | 4       | 3         | 25%     | 34         |
| Auto Theft                   | 1           |             | 7           | 9           | -2          | 1       | 1         | 29%     | 9          |
| Total Part I Offenses        | 16          | 5           | 152         | 180         | -28         | 40      | 14        | 36%     | 180        |

| Other Offenses of        | Dec  | Dec  | YTD  | YTD  | YTD  | YTD CLR | YTD CLR   | Total   | Total |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|---------|-----------|---------|-------|
| <b>Community Concern</b> | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 | Diff | Arrest  | Exception | Cleared | 2019  |
| Destruction/Vandalism    | 3    | 3    | 50   | 65   | -15  | 7       | 8         | 30%     | 65    |
| Drugs/Narcotics          | 3    | 9    | 40   | 60   | -20  | 26      | 3         | 73%     | 60    |
| Weapons Violations       | 0    | 0    | 6    | 13   | -7   | 5       | 0         | 83%     | 13    |
| Drunk in Public          | 1    | 3    | 25   | 56   | -31  | 25      | 0         | 100%    | 56    |
| Liquor Law Violations    | 0    | 0    | 3    | 7    | -4   | 3       | 0         | 100%    | 7     |

| Service Demands and       | Dec   | Dec   | YTD    | YTD    | YTD    | Tota |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|------|
| Productivity              | 2020  | 2019  | 2020   | 2019   | Diff   | 201  |
| Calls for Service         | 480   | 534   | 6,047  | 6,634  | -587   | 6,63 |
| Self Initiated Activities | 1,338 | 1,116 | 12,275 | 14,009 | -1,734 | 14,0 |
| Criminal Arrests          | 27    | 28    | 267    | 429    | -162   | 42   |
| Traffic Summonses         | 86    | 137   | 870    | 1,911  | -1,041 | 1,9  |
| DUI Arrests               | 0     | 3     | 11     | 32     | -21    | 32   |
| Accidents                 | 4     | 14    | 85     | 112    | -27    | 11.  |

## **PATROL OPERATIONS**

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of **Major Troy Aronhalt**. Officers are assigned to one of four squads, each led by a Sergeant, working 12-hour shifts. Patrol Operations handles all dispatched calls for service, conducts self-initiated enforcement activities and provides high visibility patrols in hopes to prevent and deter criminal activity.

| Detrol Activities     | Day S | quads | Night Squads |      |  |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|--------------|------|--|
| Patrol Activities     | 710   | 720   | 730          | 740  |  |
| Responses to Calls    | 215   | 225   | 139          | 164  |  |
| Criminal Arrests      | 6     | 11    | 4            | 1    |  |
| DUI Arrests           | 0     | 0     | 0            | 0    |  |
| Park, Walk & Talks    | 173   | 116   | 89           | 107  |  |
| Incident Reports      | 18    | 20    | 9            | 8    |  |
| Traffic Stops         | 26    | 25    | 41           | 31   |  |
| Field Interviews      | 3     | 1     | 5            | 5    |  |
| P2B/C Contacts        | 10    | 6     | 4            | 13   |  |
| Adopt a Senior Visits | 0     | 0     | 0            | 0    |  |
| School Visits         | 6     | 0     | 0            | 0    |  |
| Bank Checks           | 19    | 4     | 0            | 0    |  |
| Funeral Escorts       | 5     | 3     | 0            | 0    |  |
| Property Checks       | 154   | 140   | 656          | 1282 |  |
| Open Doors            | 0     | 0     | 3            | 0    |  |
| ECO/TDO               | 2     | 2     | 7            | 0    |  |

## STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled 5 calls for service in this area; completed 36 park, walk and talk activities as well as 24.5 hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had 16 community contacts and conducted 3 roll call meetings.

#### **Patrol Highlights**

On December 5, officers conducted a presentation on traffic stops for a local youth group.

On December 8, officers located a wanted subject in the 100 Block of Brown Bark Place. An adult female was arrested on four outstanding warrants.

On December 12, officers responded to an assault in the 100 Block of Junction Drive. An adult male was arrested for felony domestic assault.

On December 23, officers responded to the 100 block of North Hill Carter Parkway for a suspicious person. After an investigation, the subject was arrested for an outstanding warrant.

On December 29, officers responded to the 300 block of South Washington Highway for the report of an irate subject with an edged weapon. The person was located, crisis intervention tactics were initiated and he safely was taken into custody for mental health evaluation.

On December 29, officers responded to the 100 block of South Hill Carter Parkway for the report of an employee stealing from a business. After an investigation, a subject was arrested for shoplifting.

# **Investigative Operations**

Under the command of Special Operations Division, the **Investigative Unit** is comprised of three investigators led by **Captain James Shelhorse**. This operational component is responsible for the investigation of all felony and serious/repeat misdemeanor offenses reported to the police department. Additionally, this unit is tasked with proactive investigations into narcotics trafficking and other criminal behavior.

| Investig             |       |     |
|----------------------|-------|-----|
| Cases Assigned Thi   | 5     |     |
| Cases Assigned (YT   | D)    | 123 |
| Cases Cleared (YTD   | 0)    | 70  |
| Clearance Rate (YT   | 56.9% |     |
| Surveillance (assign | 4     |     |
| Report Writing (hour | 14    |     |
| Search Warrants/Co   | 3     |     |
| Warrants Obtained    |       | 6   |
| Court Proceedings (  | 3     |     |
| Forensic Processing  | 7     |     |
| Meetings with Other  | 6     |     |

### Investigative Highlights

Investigators assisted the Goochland County Sheriff's Office with the execution of a search and arrest warrants on an address in Ashland Woods Apartments. Investigators assisted further by downloading cellular phone information.

Investigators conducted several fraud investigations throughout the month. Two investigations were closed "prosecution declined" due to victim's intentions and a third cleared unfounded.

Investigators conducted three sex offense investigations involving adults during the month. Two cases were closed with six warrants obtained. The third case is still under investigation.

Two investigators attended "Peer Support" training at the Northern Virginia Regional Training Center for Law Enforcement.

Investigators conducted 2 possible child abuses cases in cooperation with Child Protective Services. Both were cleared unfounded.

Members of investigations and the patrol division assisted the Caroline County Sheriff's Office with a homicide case. Investigators assisted in interviewing a witness and conducting a search warrant at a local business.

# **Crime Prevention/Logistics Operations**

Under the command of the Special Operations Division, the **Crime Prevention/Logistics Operations** entails several functional components of the agency: Crime Prevention (1 officer), and the Auxiliary Unit (1 volunteer officers) and civilian volunteers all led by **Captain Marie Kemp**. In addition to duties tasked to individual members, this component is responsible for Recruitment, Selection, Training, Public Information, Special Event Coordination, and IT Administration.

| Crime Prevention Activities   |    |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|----|--|--|--|--|
| Neighborhood Watch Meetings   | 0  |  |  |  |  |
| Association Meetings          | 0  |  |  |  |  |
| Security Assessments          | 0  |  |  |  |  |
| Presentations                 | 1  |  |  |  |  |
| CPTED Plan Reviews            | 4  |  |  |  |  |
| Training (hours)              | 12 |  |  |  |  |
| Park, Walk and Talk           | 34 |  |  |  |  |
| Adopt a Senior Visits         | 0  |  |  |  |  |
| Lunch Buddies                 | 1  |  |  |  |  |
| Project Lifesaver Visits      | 0  |  |  |  |  |
| Special Event Meetings        | 0  |  |  |  |  |
| Patrol/Support hours covered  | ** |  |  |  |  |
| Social Media Outreach (Posts) | 20 |  |  |  |  |

People Reached: 47,791

#### **Crime Prevention Notes**

December 1 & 2: Participated in CALEA virtual onsite.

December 2: Instructed Transitioning from Friend to Supervisor for VACP.

December 8: Attended RRCJA Board Meeting.

December 9: Patrol presentation on traffic stops to Jerusalem Baptist Church Youth Group.

December 10: Attended Dispatch Review Committee Meeting.

December 11: NP-STAR Holiday Coat and Toy Event with ACES.

December 14: Annual Training Committee Meeting for 2021 calendar.

December 18: Hanover Academy Holiday Event.

December 18-20: APD Shop-with-a-Cop provided Holiday assistance to 69 children.

December 29: Use of Force Presentation.

#### **Training**

| December 9: Intoxilyzer Recertification - DFS. |
|--|
| December 29: TASER Basic User Course           |

#### **Items of Note**

| Note  |
|---|
| Coordinated with IT to upgrade APD Netmotion Services.                        |
| Conducted Physical Agility Test & Panel Interview for two lateral candidates. |
| Completed Polygraph Examinations for two lateral candidates.                  |
| Completed 2020 Linx Audit.  |
| Launched Full Selection Process for Police Officer.                           |
| Competed three full OWC FOIA redactions.                                      |
| Assisted with Promotional Process at Hopewell Police Department.              |